

Prepare for International Roadcheck May 2022

The Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) will hold its annual International Roadcheck from May 17-19.

International Roadcheck is a 72-hour, high-visibility, high-volume commercial motor vehicle inspection and enforcement initiative. Commercial motor vehicle inspectors in Canada, Mexico and the U.S. will conduct North American Standard Inspections of commercial motor vehicles and drivers at weigh and inspection stations, on roving patrols and at temporary inspection sites.

. "We want every vehicle on our roadways to be in proper working order for the safety of the driver operating that vehicle and everyone traveling on our roadways," CVSA said in announcing this year's Roadcheck. Each year, CVSA focuses on a specific aspect of a roadside inspection. This year, the <u>focus</u> will be on wheel end components, which support the heavy loads carried by commercial motor vehicles, maintain stability and control and are critical for braking. Violations involving wheel end components historically account for about one quarter of the vehicle out-of-service violations discovered during International Roadcheck. Past International Roadcheck data routinely identified wheel end components as a top 10 vehicle violation.

Using the <u>North American Standard Out-of-Service Criteria</u>, also established by CVSA, inspectors identify critical out-of-service violations that if found, require the inspector to restrict the driver or vehicle from travel until those violations or conditions are addressed.

Vehicles that successfully pass a North American Standard Level I or Level V Inspection without any critical vehicle inspection item violations receive a CVSA decal that is valid for three months. Generally, a vehicle with a valid CVSA decal will not be reinspected during that time period. Instead, inspectors will focus their efforts on vehicles without a valid CVSA decal.

With the increased level of scrutiny during the Roadcheck, here are ways you can help ensure a smooth review:

- 1. Conduct thorough pre- and post-trip inspections.
- 2. Keep your vehicle clean and tidy.
- 3. Have your documents organized and easy to inspect. This includes your driver's license, medical qualifications, hours of service, annual inspections and any permits that may be required.
- 4. Treat the inspector with respect and courtesy.
- 5. Be honest and respectful in your interactions with the inspector.